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Applicant : Kuniaki Nagayama

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated July 20, 2004, be extended for three months to and including November 20, 2004.

Enclosed is a check for \$490 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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